

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **amend** claims 1-9 and 12-19 and **add** claims 20-23 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) ~~A method for selecting radio resources for a communication session in a wireless communication device, the method comprising the steps of:~~

—describing device capabilities by a set of capability parameters, the set including at least one parameter indicative of ~~the device's capabilities of a wireless communication device;~~

—based on the set of capability parameters, defining a dedicated quality class set for an instance of an application, the dedicated quality class set including at least one quality class for the instance,

wherein the describing and the defining steps are performed for at least two instances of the application, the at least two instances of the application residing respectively in at least two wireless communication devices; and

—negotiating at least one common quality class for a communication session between the at least two instances of the application, the at least one common quality class being determined based on the dedicated quality class sets of the at least two instances of the application, wherein the negotiating step is performed between at least two of the at least two wireless communication devices; and

—allocating, based on the negotiating step, radio resources for the communication session, the allocating step being performed in the at least two wireless communication

devices.

2. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the negotiating ~~step includes a step of~~further comprises transferring a quality of service set from a first wireless communication device to at least one second wireless communication device, wherein the quality of service set indicates at least one quality class of the dedicated quality class set of an instance of the application in the first wireless communication device and wherein the first and the at least one second communication device belong to the at least two wireless communication devices.

3. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 2, wherein the transferring ~~step~~ is performed via a radio frequency identification (RFID) interface of the first wireless communication device.

4. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 2, further comprising ~~the steps of:~~

- mapping the dedicated quality class set to a group of quality modes;
- querying a user of the first wireless communication device to select one of the quality modes; and
- deducing the quality of service set from the quality mode selected by the user.

5. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the defining step is performed when the application is installed in the wireless communication device.

6. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, further comprising: the steps of

—detecting, in one of the at least two wireless communication devices, the presence of at least one other of the at least two wireless communication devices; and

—initiating the negotiating step in response to the detecting step.

7. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the allocating step ~~includes a step of~~ further comprises selecting the radio resources based on the at least one common quality class.

8. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the negotiating step ~~includes~~ further comprises negotiating the radio resources for the communication session.

9. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, further comprising: the steps of:

—monitoring whether a predetermined indication is received by at least one of the at least two wireless communication devices, and

—repeating the negotiating and the allocating steps—when the predetermined indication is received.

10. (Original) A method according to claim 9, wherein the predetermined indication indicates that an external application instance with a quality class set incompatible with the at least one common quality class set wishes to join the communication session.

11. (Original) A method according to claim 9, wherein the predetermined indication indicates that one of the at least two instances of the application requires a change in the at least one common quality class.

12. (Currently Amended) ~~A wireless communication device~~An apparatus, comprising:

—at least one short-range radio interface;

—~~a memory unit storing a set of capability parameters, the set including at least one parameter indicative of the device's capabilities;~~

—~~an interface through which the set of capability parameters is readable from the memory unit for defining~~configured to define, based on ~~the~~a set of capability parameters, a quality class set for an application instance, wherein the set of capability parameters includes at least one parameter indicative of capabilities of the apparatus and the quality class set includingincludes at least one quality class;

~~—negotiation means for selecting a negotiation unit configured to select at least one common quality class for a communication session to be established between the application instance and at least one external application instance having respectively at least one external quality class set, the negotiation means being unit configured to select the at least one common quality class based on the quality class set and the at least one external quality class set; and~~

~~—allocating means an allocating unit, responsive to the negotiation means unit, for allocating configured to allocate radio resources for the communication session.~~

13. (Currently Amended) ~~A wireless communication device~~ The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein an application to be installed in the ~~wireless communication device~~ apparatus is configured to read the set of capability parameters from ~~the a~~ memory unit.

14. (Currently Amended) ~~A wireless communication device~~ The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the allocation ~~means unit~~ is are operably connected to the at least one short-range radio interface ~~for activating to activate~~ a short-range radio interface corresponding to the radio resources allocated for the communication session.

15. (Currently Amended) ~~A wireless communication device~~ The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the negotiation ~~means are unit~~ is configured to

—query a user of the ~~wireless communication device~~apparatus to select a quality mode, the quality mode determining at least one of the at least one quality class; , and —indicate the at least one of the at least one quality class to the at least one external application instance.

16. (Currently Amended) ~~A wireless communication device~~The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the negotiation ~~means~~unit ~~comprise~~comprises a radio frequency identification (RFID) interface configured to indicate at least one of the at least one quality class to an external RFID device.

17. (Currently Amended) ~~A wireless communication device~~The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the negotiation ~~means~~areunit is further configured to negotiate the radio resources with at least one other ~~wireless communication device~~apparatus containing, respectively, the at least one external application instance.

18. (Currently Amended) ~~A wireless communication device~~The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the allocation ~~means~~areunit is further configured to select the radio resources based on the at least one common quality class.

19. (Currently Amended) A computer program embodied on a computer readable medium, the computer program being configured to control a processor to perform:~~A~~

~~computer program product for a wireless communication device, the computer product being stored on a computer readable storage media and configured, when being installed into the wireless communication device, to~~

~~—read~~reading a set of capability parameters from a wireless communication device, the set including at least one parameter indicative of ~~the device's capabilities of the wireless communication device~~; and

~~—define~~defining, based on the set of capability parameters, a dedicated quality class set including at least one quality class.

20. (New) An apparatus, comprising:

at least one short-range radio interface;

interface means for defining, based on a set of capability parameters, a quality class set for an application instance, wherein the set of capability parameters includes at least one parameter indicative of capabilities of the apparatus and the quality class set includes at least one quality class;

negotiation means for selecting at least one common quality class for a communication session to be established between the application instance and at least one external application instance having respectively at least one external quality class set, and for selecting the at least one common quality class based on the quality class set and the at least one external quality class set; and

allocating means, responsive to the negotiation means, for allocating radio resources

for the communication session.

21. (New) A computer program embodied on a computer readable medium, the computer program being configured to control a processor to perform:

describing device capabilities by a set of capability parameters, the set including at least one parameter indicative of capabilities of a wireless communication device;

based on the set of capability parameters, defining a dedicated quality class set for an instance of an application, the dedicated quality class set including at least one quality class for the instance, wherein the describing and the defining are performed for at least two instances of the application, the at least two instances of the application residing respectively in at least two wireless communication devices;

negotiating at least one common quality class for a communication session between the at least two instances of the application, the at least one common quality class being determined based on the dedicated quality class sets of the at least two instances of the application, wherein the negotiating is performed between at least two of the at least two wireless communication devices; and

allocating, based on the negotiating, radio resources for the communication session, the allocating being performed in the at least two wireless communication devices.

22. (New) An apparatus, comprising:

an interface configured to read a set of capability parameters from a wireless

communication device, the set including at least one parameter indicative of capabilities of the wireless communication device, and configured to define, based on the set of capability parameters, a dedicated quality class set including at least one quality class.

23. (New) A method, comprising:

reading a set of capability parameters from a wireless communication device, the set including at least one parameter indicative of capabilities of the wireless communication device; and

defining, based on the set of capability parameters, a dedicated quality class set including at least one quality class.